

Application No. 10/692,270

Attorney Docket No. 4578 P 020

Reply to Notice of Noncompliant Amendment Mailed March 31, 2006

REMARKS

A written Reply to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2005, was filed on February 16, 2006. As identified in the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment, the matter to be added by reissue was not underlined. The present Reply corrects this inadvertent omission, such that the pending claims comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.173. In view of the above correction, Applicants respectfully submit the application is now in condition for allowance.

The Examiner and Commissioner are hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this Reply or refund any overpayments associated with this Reply to Deposit Account No. 23-0280.

In view of the above, all pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance; an action to this end is earnestly requested. It if would expedite the progress of this Application through the examination process, the Examiner is authorized to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

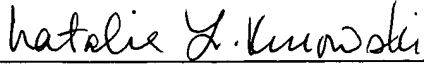
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